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ASSOCIATE OF BLOODS STREET GANG SENTENCED

Tampa, Florida - U.S. District Judge James S. Moody, Jr. today sentenced Durwood Milton Gwyn, age 32, to a term of imprisonment of 21 years and 10 months for possession and distribution of crack cocaine. Gwyn, an associate of the Bloods street gang, pleaded guilty to possession and distribution of five grams or more of crack cocaine on October 9, 2008.

According to court documents, on February 22, 2008, Gwyn distributed crack cocaine to a confidential informant and was immediately arrested and found to be in possession of an additional 41 grams of crack cocaine. Gwyn was classified as a career criminal, having previously been convicted of delivery of cocaine on two separate occasions and possession of cocaine with intent to sell cocaine within 1000-feet of a school on two other occasions.

The case was investigated by the Tampa Police Department. The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Jeffrey S. Downing.